(b) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(c) what steps have been taken and are being taken for commercial exploitation of these resources and assess the potential of employment likely to be generated as a result thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF MINES IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRIMATI RAM DULARI SINHA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) On the basis of the regional exploration carried out during field season 1985-86, a reserve of 925 million tonnes and 187.27 million tonnes has been estimated in the coal fields of Orissa and Bihar respectively.

(c) The feasibility of Commercial exploitation of these resources and assessment of the potential of employment likely to be generated therefrom will be possible only after completion of detailed exploration ever these coal fields.

Development of village Mow in Bihar

2430. SHRI SURAJ PRASAD: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that under the scheme of IRDP no steps have been taken to develop village Mow in Gaya District, in Bihar; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that the Central Government had recently sent a communication to Bihar Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI RAMANAND YADAV): (a) and (b) The Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP) is being implemented in all the development blocks in Bihar. The Department of Rural Development is, however, not monitoring the implementation of IRDP at the Block/Village level.

Government of India are in constant touch with State Governments regarding improvement in the implementation of IRDP.

Demands of NBCC Karamchari Samyukta Sanghrash Samiti

2431. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the members of NBCC Karamchari Samyukta Sangharsh Samiti has broken their motions long fast on the 15th November, 1986 following an assurance given by the Minister of Urban Development to the effect that he would look into their demands; and

(b) if so, what are their demands and what action has been taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) and (b) No such assurance has been given. The demands viz. regularisation of casual workers, grant of certain fringe benefits to them and also facilities for office bearers, etc., submitted by the All India NBCC Employees Union, Ranchi (unrecognised) who are stated to have formed Samyukta Sangharsh Samiti have not been accepted as yet.

Protection of milch animals in Gujarat

2432. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been mass scale migration and slaughter of milch cattles in Gujarat on account of scarcity conditions successively for the third year this time;

(b) if so, what action is being taken to save these animals;

(c) whether Government of Gujarat have sought for assistance for providing grass and water to save those cattles; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof and the Central assistance granted to Gujarat?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATIONS IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) No, Sir.